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Applicants hereby respond to the Office action dated June 15, 2006 and request the Examiner to consider the Amendments and Remarks beginning on pages 2 and 6, respectively. This Response is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), Applicants hereby petitions to extend the time for response two months (Notice of Appeal was previously filed) to April 17, 2006 (Monday), and enclose the required petition fee.

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